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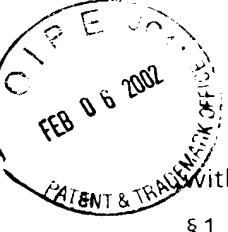
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RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT

The foregoing documents came to Applicants' attention during a search of the corresponding International application. A copy of the International Search Report setting forth the portion of each reference considered relevant by the examiner is attached.

Applicants respectfully request that any listed document be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO-1449 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUB-CLASS	TRANSLATION	
						YES	NO
A1	0 647 448	04/12/1995	Europe				
A2	2 771 291	05/28/1999	France				
A3	0 377 518	07/11/1990	Europe				

**OTHER DOCUMENTS** (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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